

**Housing Authority - County of Los Angeles**

April 22, 2010

To: Each Supervisor

From: Sean Rogan, Executive Director



**SUBJECT: PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY  
ANNUAL PLAN REGARDING CRIMINAL ACTIVITY AND MISSED  
APPOINTMENTS**

On March 23, 2010, your Board held a public hearing on the Housing Authority's proposed Annual Plan for 2010-2011, including the Section 8 Program's Administrative Plan, which sets forth the policies and procedures that govern the Housing Authority's administration of the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program. Copies of the draft Annual Plan were available for public review and comment during a 45-day comment period extending from December 28, 2009 to February 10, 2010.

As a result of comments received during this period, as well as discussions between Housing Authority staff, community groups, and other stakeholders, two of the proposed changes in the draft Section 8 Administrative Plan were removed in advance of the March 23<sup>rd</sup> public hearing: 1) a proposed change to deny rental assistance to applicants convicted of a violent or drug-related criminal offense within five years from the date they are pulled from the Section 8 waitlist to determine eligibility; and 2) a proposed change to deny assistance to applicants or terminate current participants who miss appointments or fail to return documents without good cause.

The Board letter for the March 23, 2010 public hearing indicated that Housing Authority staff would return to your Board for consideration of the two proposed changes on July 27, 2010, allowing time for additional public input and discussion. After further consideration, staff no longer recommends moving forward with these changes, and will not be returning to your Board on July 27<sup>th</sup>, as previously indicated. Please let me know if you have any questions or require additional information.

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c: Each Deputy